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Scowcroft/Kissinger
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K. Hello. And they don't want to lose that much prestige. The Russians don't want Australia to introduce the resolution. As I understand there are now 15 C-41 and 3 C-5s underway. The Portugese have ...now. You start the charters. Since we are going to be in a confrontation we should go all out. I am going to call....I want to warn him in the event you might get....Ask how long it will take the 82nd Airborne to get ready.

S. Of course.

K. Not to do anything. I think those bastards understand only brutality.

S. I was just talking to Dinitz and they are very pleased with the report that things are on their way.

K. Are you getting the two ships loaded?

S. There is one in Boston at the present time and it is almost loaded.

K. Get that on the way.

S. The other is to be in on the 15th.

K. If they want to play, we will play.

S. I think under the circumstances we have no other choice.

K. It could be that the Egyptians were willing to do it. I told Dobrynin that they were diddling us along to gain time. He told me he thought we were diddling them along for the Syrian offensive.

S. That is possible too. I will call you back on the 82nd.

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